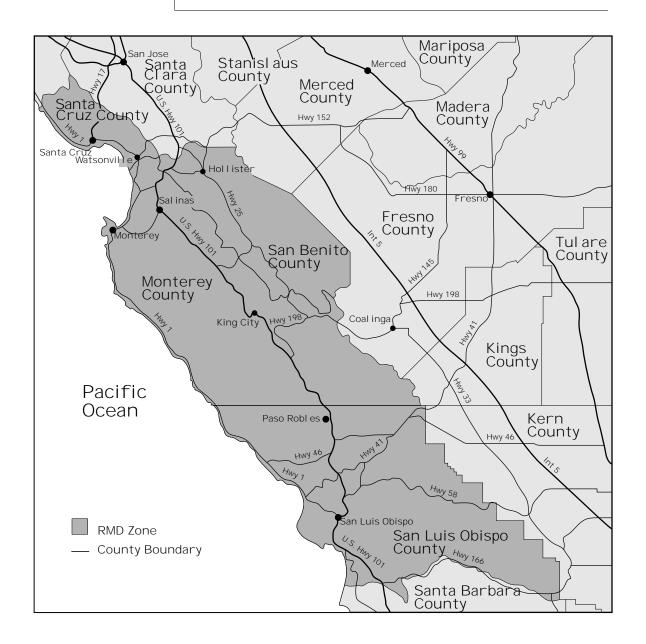


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CENTRAL COAST RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE



ZONE INFORMATION

The Central Coast Recycling Market
Development Zone (RMDZ) covers 8,000 square
miles. It borders the Pacific Ocean and lies
between the major metropolitan centers of San
Francisco/San Jose and Los Angeles. The zone
encompasses the counties of San Benito, Santa
Cruz, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, (including 12
incorporated cities in Monterey County) and
the incorporated cities of Hollister, Watsonville,
and Paso Robles.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

California Recycling Market Development Zones are designated by the Integrated Waste Management Board. The Board offers low-interest loans up to \$1 million, technical assistance on financing strategies, and assistance in marketing zones nationally and internationally. For more information on this program and other market development programs, contact the Board's Recycling Business Assistance Branch at (916) 255-1000.

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TARGET MATERIALS

Materials to be targeted for feedstock in the zone include construction and demolition waste, mixed paper, compostable materials, mixed plastic, polyethylene terephthalate (PETE), and film plastic used by the agricultural industry.

INFRASTRUCTURE

U.S. Highway 101 traverses the zone from north to south.

Santa Cruz County and Watsonville are served by State Highways 1, 17, and 129; the latter two connect to Highway 101. Monterey County is served by State Highways 1, 68, and 156, the latter two connecting to Highway 101. San Benito County and Hollister connect to Highway 101 via State Highways 156 and 152. San Luis Obispo County is served by State Highways 1, 46, and 58, all connecting to Highway 101.

Regional airports, providing freight service, are located within each of the four counties. Southern Pacific rail lines serve all four counties and the two cities. Existing sewer and water service is available within each jurisdiction's industrial areas.

The closure of Fort Ord in Monterey County provides infrastructure and buildings on the 28,000-acre base. Monterey, Santa Cruz, and San Luis Obispo Counties have source-separated curbside recycling collection and materials recovery facilities. San Benito, Monterey, and San Luis Obispo counties have composting facilities.

INCENTIVES

The following incentives are offered by all of the zone's jurisdictions:

- Streamlined permit processing.
- · Exemption from business license tax.
- · Database of vacant parcels.
- · Small Business Administration loans.
- · Local low-interest revolving loans.
- Economic development corporation assistance.
- · Access to jurisdiction generated feedstock.
- · Job creation and training grants.
- Assistance with infrastructure financing.

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